## **Labor Force**

One of Maricopa's greatest assets is its strong workforce and resident demographic. Each year since the City's incorporation data has been collected in order to be able to provide the most up-to-date information on trends and realities in the community. The most recent research was completed in January of 2010 by Elliott Pollack & Co. which found that the City of Maricopa has an outstanding workforce, both in terms of quantity and quality. For more detailed information, download complete resident demographics from a {phocadownload view=file|id=1|text=2007 community survey|target=s} as well as the {phocadownload view=file|id=2|text=2009 labor study|target=b}. Highlights of results include:

- 48.7% of Maricopa residents have a bachelor's degree or higher, with an astounding 89% reported having at least some college education
  - An astounding 89% reported having some post-high school education
- Overall, the Maricopa workforce is highly skilled with 53% working in management and other professional occupations
- 47% of residents commute more than 30 miles one way to work; the average travel time to work for metro area workers is about 27 minutes
- More than 75% of respondents reported household incomes greater than \$50,000, and 22% of Maricopa responders report household incomes of \$100,000 or greater
- The majority of the Maricopa workforce would leave their current company for a closer workplace and over 60% would even consider changing their career or accepting reduced pay if a local job presented an opportunity
- 88% of Maricopians have internet access in their homes, and 50% have two or more computers
- Top preferred leisure activities for residents were dining out (51%), going to the movies (46%), and sports related (41%)

Arizona Workforce Informer: <a href="http://www.workforce.az.gov">http://www.workforce.az.gov</a>
Bureau of Labor Statistics: <a href="http://www.bls.gov/data/home.htm">http://www.bls.gov/data/home.htm</a>

## **Largest Employers**

Ak-Chin Farms
Bashas'
City of Maricopa
Duke At Rancho El Dorado
Fry's Food Store
Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino
L P Steel Industries Inc.

Maricopa Unified School District
Nissan Technical Center
Pinal Feeding Company Inc.
Shamrock Farms
T & K Red River
University Of Arizona Agricultural Farm in Maricopa
Volkswagen of America
Walmart

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